THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 1890.

The Township Committee. THE CruzEN makes no protence or attempt to take the place of the great daily journals nor to compete with upon matters of general interest. Matters going on in the outside world discussed in these columns, because peculiar province of THE Crizes, 40 upon to endorse the means adopted. chronicle events occuring in Bloomaffeav may appear of greater moment

widely extended note the many small events Intownship, but these small if for no other, nevertheless possess the to those dwelling in He devoting ourselves therefore time much adverse comment on the

the main to matters of local interest, part of some of our best and most exavoid a fatal competition and do are of importance to the residents of

The doings of the Township Commeetings of the town legislature. Extended remarks are frequently condensed by him within a space of a few lines, without the loss of a single detail necessary for faithful reproduction. And we are informed that no department of the paper is more favorably regarded than this Township.

But the reform should not stop informed to the correctness of his bill. The statute provides for this in the most explicit first day of January and July ln each year for the three and six months then ending. Deposits made on or before the first business day in January, April, July and Oct-ber, bear interest from the first day of the smooth. All interest when credited to depositors on the first day of January and July ln each year for the three and six months then ending. Deposits made on or before the first business day in January, April, July and Oct-ber, bear interest when credited to depositors on the first day of January and July ln each year for the three and six months then ending. Deposits made on or before the first business day in January, April, July and Oct-ber, bear interest from the first day of January and July ln each year for the three and six months then ending. Deposits made on or before the first day of January and July ln each year for the three and six months then ending are for the torm of the production. All interest the course of the first day of January and July ln each year for the three and six months then ending are for the three and six months then ending are for the three and six months then ending are for the three and six months then ending are for the first business day in January. April, July and Oct-ber, bear interest from the first business day in January and July ln each year for the three and six months then ending are for the three and six months then ending are for the three and six months then ending and the second and the second are for the three and six months then ending are for the three and six months then ending are for the three and six months then ending are for the second and the

future increase rather than curtail the space devoted to it.

Members of the Township Commit tee have frequently, in times past, missure. Now best observed there is a great difference between the two It should be and we believe is the desire of emmitteemen to carry out the de shall they be able to do so, without made aware of the drift of public opinion as by honest and kinelly observations on their actions. Matters are seldom accomplished in a single day or all at once; they have beginnings, continuations and endings. While in progress, it is neither difficult nor disagreeable to turn to the right or left or occasionally to stop. We have little sympathy with those who and sithe pleasure of fault finding when both are useless because too late. The opportunity for objection and the injunction concerning the holding of mittees may with profit, take a leafout of the book of the Church. The of the Town would possess some of the comfortable satisfaction of the official of the Church, that so far as be could, he had given all a chance to have their say and if he did not live happy ever after; it was not his fauit.

Last year we had frequent occasion detect evil but to prevent it. to comment unfavorably upon an apparently growing tendency to transact the public business under a bush changed all this From the first meeting of the present year the business of the Township has been openly conducted, so that all who chose to take the treable wight have to take the treable with the treable wit with the treable with the treable with the treable with the tre the present Township Committee have take the trouble might know of it. The meetings are conducted according-to parliamentary rules and customs. This prevents irrelevant discussion and waste of time ; and a single evening suffices for the accomplishment of as much work as could be FLORISTS and NURSERYMEN accomplished in two evenings under the old go as you please methods. Questions are argued pro and con by the different members and decisions are reached only after every one has had a chance to speak. Now this is

as it should be. The people have a right to know not only how a member votes but why he votes; and the member has a right to have the people know, Much injustice has in times past resulted to individual members. for lack of apportunity to state public ly reasons for their opinions.

There are of course times when the public good demands temporary secreey of details, but they are rare, When they occur, even a poor parliamay be occasionally referred to or mentarian will know how to use the machinery of sub committees and the they are of peculiar interest to Bloom- like, to accomplish the purpose; and fielders or because of their overshad where this is the exception and not owing importance. It is however the the rule the public may be depended

Not the least benefit, accruing from the parliamentary methods of the pre-those who her within its borders or, sent Township Committee is the inwho are interested in the welfare of creased interest of the public in the its people. Events like physical ob-jects appear great and important in American politics is aware that one of proportion to their nearness. A street its curses is public indifference to governmental work If vigorous de observer than bate in Committee meetings stimutitle length in a foreign lates the interest of the citizens in the public business and fixes their attention on the details of it, let it be continued by all means for this reason

perienced citizens upon the methods an important work beyond the reach of handling the Township money. We of our great contemporaries. Thus do not mean by this that there have our roads, siedwalks, street lighting, been any accusations or even insinuawater supply, churches, local meetings tions that any of the funds have been SAVINGS INSTITUTION and entertainments and the doings misappropriated: the criticism is that and sayings of Bloomfielders demand for many years the book keeping has and receive our attention, because they not been such as to show clearly the course of the money received and dis Bloomfield and they depend upon us bursed, and that the important function of the Township Committee to audit the accounts of all financial offimittee, representing our local govern cers has been exercised in name but days and Satardays from 4 to 8 P. M. ment, are of more interest to more of not in reality. Last year's Township our people perhaps than any other Committee made a decided impreve Bonds and Mortgages with one matter purely local. It has been ment in the financial administration the constant endeavor therefore of THE by the appointment of Mr. Charles L. U. S. Bonds (market value) the information concerning this body; and no candid critic can deny that our Cruzes for several years, to increase Seibert as Treasurer. We have not and no candid critic can deny that our many a long year, if ever, as that pro reports of its meetings are full and sented by Mr. Seibert last year. This Office furniture and fixtures. year's Township Committee have made another decided step in the faculty of furnishing a sort of reduced right direction, by insisting upon an, Due Depositors photograph of the transactions of the affidavit from each creditor to the cor-

Committee work. We shall in the here. The accounts of the Collector, taken comment and criticism for cen should be inaugurated that the faithperes of their constituents; but how both the Treasurer and Collector have would afford them the greatest satisfaction. The Treasurer at the close of last year stated to the Township Committee in open meeting, that it was a cause of regret to him that his accounts were compelled, by the present system to be passed almost en-

tirely upon his say so: We believe and have often so stated that Bloomfield has for many years been blessed with officers of unusual tentiy by during the progress of events form in the Township book keeping. we cannot have it too distinctly under. Everything Pertaining to the stood that we have no information to lead us to suppose that things are in any different shape now than they one's peace, should not be peculiar to were years ago. But we wish to inmarriage ceremonies. Township Com- sist that this is a bad shape because ignorance prevails where there should be mathematical certainty. If it is people would continue doubtless to make said comments, but the official to time whether all monies received have been properly disbursed or are on hand, then why should the finances of the Township be at such loose ends that this information is not obtainable.

We earnestly commend this matter to the speedy consideration of the Township Committee, not indeed to

Is Consumption Incurable? sact the public business under a bush of, by discussing it in a side room, from which the public were excluded, and by the still more pernicious habit of debating motions an whispers in a corner. We note with pleasure that the present Township Committee have

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